



XIV Continental Femenino de Ajedrez
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XIV CONTINENTAL WOMEN'S CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE AMERICAS 2023 (CLASSIC, RAPID AND BLITZ).

HAVANA – CUBA FROM MAY 6 TO 12, 2023

QUALIFIER TO THE “WORLD CUP 2023”.

DIRECT TITLES OF GRANDMASTER AND INTERNATIONAL MASTER

INVITATION

The Chess Confederation of the Americas (CCA), the Cuban Chess Federation (FCA), are pleased to invite all the National Chess Federations of the American Continent, to the XIV Women's Continental Chess Championship of the Americas 2023, to be held from May 6 to 12, 2023, in the city of Havana - Cuba, as part of the LVI edition of the international tournament Capablanca in Memoriam.

Havana, located in the north of the island, founded in the 16th century, with a rich chess tradition and culture, will host for the first time the best and brightest of the American continent. The so called "Wonder City" was chosen by the Swiss foundation New7Wonders in 2016 for its mythical attractiveness, the warm and welcoming atmosphere, the charisma and joviality of its inhabitants.





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HOTEL FREE HAVANA

THE ORGANIZATION.

The XIV Women's Continental Championship is an official event of the Chess Confederation for America, organized by the Cuban Chess Federation – FCA – and is part of the FIDE World Championship cycle.

1. PARTICIPANTS

Official players: These athletes are entitled to accommodation and full board at the expense of the organization, from Saturday, May 6 at 2 p.m. until Saturday, May 13 at 12 noon:

- One sportswoman designated by the Continental President
- Up to 3 sportswomen from zone 2.1
- One athlete from zone 2.2
- Up to 2 athletes from each of the zones 2.3, 2.4, and 2.5
- The Women's Continental Champion of the year 2022.
- The U20 Pan American Champion.
- An athlete invited by the Organization.

The official athletes will be accommodated in double rooms. Their designation will have to be notified to the Organization by the Presidents of each Zone no later than April 15, 2023.
Unofficial players:

The Women's Continental Championship is an open tournament (no minimum FIDE ELO requirement). Each National Federation may enter as many players as it wishes. All participants must cover their registration, transportation and accreditation costs. Each participant must have the endorsement of her Federation belonging to the Chess Confederation for America, registered with FIDE, unless otherwise stated by the CCA.

2. REGISTRATION



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The official sportswomen must be registered by the corresponding Federations before the end of April 20, 2023, by mail sent to federacioncubanadeajedrez@gmail.com. After this deadline, all athletes will be considered unofficial.

No player can be registered without the approval of her own Federation or if she does not belong to the region corresponding to this tournament.

In order for an athlete's registration to be considered complete, she must provide the following information: Full name and surname, identity document (passport number), FIDE ID, current passport size photograph, complete date of birth (in mm-dd-yyyy format), FIDE title. This information must be corroborated upon arrival by presenting the passport or identity card for verification purposes.

Participants must pay a registration fee of TWO HUNDRED AMERICAN DOLLARS (USD \$200.00). This amount includes the CCA fee (\$100).

Extra athletes and accompanying persons will be insured once they have confirmed their participation with the respective deposits.

This payment must be made before the first round in order to take part in the event. Each Federation will be jointly and severally responsible for the payment of the inscriptions made and the costs caused by the non-presentation of the registered players.

Registration payments can be made before the start of the tournament in the city of Havana.

3. PLACE OF PLAY

The place of play will be the Habana Libre Hotel, venue of the 1966 Olympiad, located at the corner of 23rd and L Streets, Vedado, Plaza de la Revolución neighborhood, Havana, Cuba.

4. OFFICIAL LODGING, MEALS AND TRANSFERS.

OFFICIAL HOTEL: HABANA LIBRE – SEDE PRINCIPAL located at the corner of 23rd and L Streets, Vedado, Mpio Plaza de la Revolución, Havana, Cuba.

Hotel MELIA HABANA LIBRE ***: - Double Room:** 115.00 € x person x night – Single Room: 150.00 € x person x night THESE PRICES INCLUDE: - AP: American Plan or Full Board: Includes breakfast, lunch and dinner, with 1(one) liquid at each meal. – Transfers to and from the airport.

Hotel MELIA HABANA LIBRE ***: - Double Room:** 75.00 € x person x night – Single Room: 110.00 € x person x night THESE PRICES INCLUDE: - CP: Continental Plan with breakfast included. – Transfers to and from the airport.



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OFFICIAL SUB-HEADQUARTER HOTEL: HOTEL VEDADO. – Located at O E/ 23 Y 25, 300 METERS FROM HOTEL Habana Libre.

Hotel VEDADO **:** - **Double Room:** 85.00 € x person x night – Single Room: 100.00 € x person x night THESE PRICES INCLUDE: - AP: American Plan or Full Board: Includes breakfast, lunch and dinner, with 1(one) liquid at each meal. – Transfers to and from the airport.

Hotel VEDADO **:** - **Double Room:** 55.00 € x person x night – Single Room: 65.00 € x person x night THESE PRICES INCLUDE: - CP: Continental Plan with breakfast included. – Transfers to and from the airport.

Request reservation to FCA through Cubadeportes SA. Until April 25, 2023.

PAYMENT BY DOCUMENTARY BANK TRANSFER Payment to Cubadeportes S.A. will be for 100% of the value of the selected offer, will be made by Documentary Bank Transfer, in favor of Cubadeportes S.A., in its account no.0300000005571816, Bank Swift BFICCUHH, bank in the BFI, Sierra Maestra branch. Bank address. Avenida 1ra esq. O, Miramar, Havana City, Cuba, within 7 days prior to your arrival in Cuba, otherwise the training base will be cancelled. You can also pay to Cubadeportes sa, account 0530120032320014, Bank Swift BMNBCUHH, Banco Metropolitano, branch 301, Ciudad Deportiva. Havana, Cuba, 7 days prior to arrival in Cuba, otherwise the training base will be cancelled. **PAYMENT BY CARDS** Payment to Cubadeportes S.A. will be for 100% of the value of the selected offer, will be made by credit card, in favor of Cubadeportes S.A., with credit cards that are Visa, Caval or Master Card and that have not been issued by American banks, 3% will be charged for banking costs and will be made 7 days prior to your arrival in Cuba, otherwise the training base will be cancelled.

Lodging costs:

Payment for the hotel must be made before the start of the tournament to the FCA – Cuban Chess Federation, through Cubadeportes SA: Day of entry, May 06 from 14:00, day of departure, May 13 at 12:00. (7 nights).

In the event that an extra athlete chooses to stay elsewhere, she will pay a penalty of \$ 80.00 dollars to the organization.

The organization will publish hotel offers at preferential prices. All costs mentioned in this invitation refer to dollars as legal tender in the United States of America or Euros.

Important note: The name of the issuer of the bank transaction must be indicated by mail, to be validated by the organization to federacioncubanadeajedrez@gmail.com, Cubadeportes mail (enmanuel@cubadeportes.cu), the bank issuance of the transactions will be charged to the sender.



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PARAGRAPH: PREFERENTIAL RATES FOR CUBAN PLAYERS CUBAN PLAYERS:

With the purpose of stimulating the participation of Cuban players, the FCA offers the following discount: Registration Fee: USD 100.00 this value only includes the payment to the CCA (\$100.00).

ACTIVITY	D A Y	DATE	TIME
Arrival	Saturday	May 6	14:00 onward
Inaguration	Saturday	May 6	21:00
Round 1	Sunday	May 7	10:00
Round 2	Sunday	May 7	17:00
Round 3	Monday	May 8	17:00
Round 4	Tuesday	May 9	10:00
Round 5	Tuesday	May 9	17:00
Round 6	Wednesda y	May 10	17:00
Round 7	Thursday	May 11	10:00
Round 8	Thursday	May 11	17:00
Round 9	Friday	May 12	10:00
Closing	Friday	May 12	17:00
Departure Delegations	Saturday	May 13	12:00

5. CALENDAR



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Arrival day and accommodation: May 6, 2023
Registration and check-in: May 6, 2023 – 15:00 to 20:00
Technical meeting: May 6, 2023- 21:00
Inauguration: May 6, 2023- 21:00
Closing and awards ceremony: May 12 – 17:00
Departure day: May 13, until 12:00

The Chess Confederation of the Americas (CCA) and the Cuban Chess Federation (FCA) will hold the BLITZ CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE AMERICAS 2023 on Wednesday, May 10 at 10:00 am and the FAST CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE AMERICAS 2023 on May 6 and 12. In the next few days the organization will be publishing the rules of both events.

6. CALENDARIO

Día de llegada y acomodación: 6 de mayo de 2023
Inscripciones y registro: 6 de mayo – 15:00 a 20:00
Reunión técnica: 6 de mayo de 2023- 21:00
Inauguración: 6 de mayo de 2023- 21:00
Clausura y premiación: mayo 12 - 17:00
Día de salida: mayo 13, hasta las 12:00

7. AWARDS AND TITLES

POSITI ON	AWARDS IN DOLLARS
1°	USD 1,500.00
2°	USD 1,200.00
3°	USD 800.00
4°	USD 600.00
5°	USD 500.00
6°	USD 400.00
7°	USD 300.00
8°	USD 200.00

Prizes will be awarded in US dollars.

In case of a tie, the prizes will be added and divided among the players with the same score, cutting in the 8th place and deciding by the system established in the rules.

Pairings and pgn's will be published one hour after the conclusion of each round in Chess-Results.com.



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According to the FIDE HANDBOOK, (International Title Regulations), obtaining the gold medal will give the direct title of WGM. In case of a tie for the first place, it will give each of the tied sportswomen the WGM norm.

The athletes who obtain the 2nd and 3rd place will obtain the WIM title.

7. SPECIFIC RULES OF THE GAME

7.1 SYSTEM AND PACE OF PLAY.

7.2

The tournament will be played by the Swiss system in 9 rounds, according to the Swiss Manager program. All games must be played with an electronic clock. A pace of play of 90 minutes with an increment of 30 seconds per move from the start shall be used. With a tolerance of 30 minutes from the start of the round.

7.3 DISMISSAL SYSTEMS determined by FIDE:

7.4

- Average Opponents' ELO Court 1.
- Buchholz Court 1
- Buchholz
- Particular result (if applicable).
- Draw

The champion will qualify to the "FIDE World Cup" phase, of the world championship cycle.

The tournament will be valid for the International Rating and will give titles and norms according to the "FIDE Titles" regulations.

8. TOURNAMENT AUTHORITIES

8.1 Honor Committee:

- MSc. Osvaldo Vento Montellier – President of INDER.
- Roberto León Richard – President of the Cuban Olympic Committee
- Dr. José Carrillo P. – President of the Chess Confederation of America. CCA.
- WGM Vivian Ramón Pita. Vice President Cuban Chess Federation

8.2 Organizing Committee

- Tournament Director: FT, OI Carlos Rivero González.
- Technical Director: GM Aramis Álvarez Pedraza
- Cuban Chess Federation

8.3 Referee Body

- Al Bárbara López-Chávez Mariño

9. APPEALS COMMITTEE

An Appeals Committee will be elected during the technical meeting. It shall be composed of three (3) members and two (2) alternates. A protest against a referee's



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decision must be submitted in writing to the Appeals Committee within 2 hours after the end of the round, accompanied by a deposit of 70 USD, which will be returned if the decision is favorable to the claimant.

10. METHOD OF PAYMENT.

The inscriptions and associated payments may be canceled by consigning the value in the account of Fideamerica, including Cuban players, or the day of arrival to the FCA and representatives of Fideamerica at the venue of the event. Please contact IA Erick Hernandez CCA Treasurer at erickhernandez2002@yahoo.com and +503 77403520.

11. FURTHER INFORMATION, REGISTRATION AND RESERVATIONS

- Cuban Chess Federation Email: federacioncubanadeajedrez@gmail.com
- Enmanuel Valiente Diaz – Cubadeportes SA. enmanuel@cubadeportes.su
Phone/whatsApp: +53 52792767 (Responsible for hotel reservations or penalties in this regard).
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